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Come today or you Miss It!

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50¢ ON THE \$1.00

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NO URBAN SETTLEMENT.

British and Venezuelan Ministers Deny the Report.
With reference to the report that the British ambassador and the Venezuelan minister at this capital have entered into direct negotiations for the settlement of the so-called Veneziola incident, Sir Julian Pauncefote is authority for the statement that he has entered into no negotiations with Venezuela's representative on any subject, nor has he had any instructions regarding any Veneziola incident.

Minister Andrad is also officially made aware of the existence of any so-called Veneziola incident, and as at a loss to account for the invention this set afloat. The whole thing has been a matter of newspaper discussion only, and has never been officially brought to the attention of either of the diplomats named.

TWENTY MILLIONS SAVED.

Old Indian Claims Wiped Out by the Supreme Court.
Decisions were rendered in the United States supreme court yesterday which saved the government from paying out \$20,000,000 and perhaps more, and which involved questions of large importance, not only to this government, but to several thousand claimants.

The cases referred to were those of Marks against the United States and the Bannock Indians, and Lighton against the United States and the Ogallala Sioux tribe.

They involved the question what constitutes a state of amity between the United States and an Indian tribe.

Steamer Scheduled to Change.

Beginning with April 1, proximo, the members of the popular White Star line will sail from New York every Wednesday for Liverpool, at noon, instead of 10 a. m. as heretofore. F. W. Moss, No. 521 Pennsylvania avenue, is the general agent in Washington.

YEAR'S EXCISE BUSINESS

Report Submitted to Congress as Required by Law.

NUMBER OF CASES HELD UP

Violations Aggregated and Amount of Collections From Fines—Attorney Thomas Denides Adversely Upon John Kelly's Application—Analyst's Island Too Expensive for Hospital.

The excise board submitted its annual report to Congress yesterday, as required by Section 2 of the act regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors in the District.

The report is for the year ended March 2, 1896, and shows that during the last liquor license year, which expired October 31, 1895, 405 applications for harbor licenses were approved and 52 were rejected. Whereas, 172 approved and 11 rejected.

From November 1, 1895, to March 3, 1896, 463 applications for harbor licenses were granted, and 19 were rejected; whereas, 142 approved, and one rejected.

The report was forwarded through the office of the Commissioners.

MAKES ADVERSE REPORT.
Attorney Thomas Denides rendered an opinion to the excise board, through the office of John F. Kelly's application for license to retail spirituous liquors at No. 232 Four-and-a-half street southwest, taking the ground that the board cannot approve it, for reasons stated.

The photo was previously approved by another party, whose license was originally issued prior to the passage of the act of March 3, 1893. After having it renewed in 1894 the original occupant decided to continue in the business. After a lapse of two months Kelly sought to obtain a license at the same place, to which, under the present law, there was objection.

It was held by the board that the bar should be treated as a "new place," and that unless all the requirements of the existing excise law could be complied with the application should be issued.

The Attorney for the District maintains the board.

Another case coming within the provisions of the new law is that of Mr. Harry Rothchild, who represents a wine company and wants a license to wholesale at No. 1205 G street northwest, a place formerly occupied by a similar company, licensed prior to March 3, 1893.

It is located within 400 feet of Martin's College, and the location of the law prohibiting such establishments to be located within that distance of a school or church is held to apply.

The application has been referred to Attorney Thomas for his opinion.

WILL BE TOO EXPENSIVE.

Messrs. G. J. Fiedler, W. C. Woodward and John H. Brady, a committee appointed to examine the Analostan Island with a view to its use as a site for an isolated hospital, make a report to the Commissioners that is adverse to the project.

The committee states that the island contains about thirty-four acres of solid ground above the ordinary level of the tide and about thirty-five acres of swamp at about the level of low tide. The area above the contour fifteen to twenty-two acres.

The least width of the river separating the island from Washington is about 250 feet. It is separated from the Virginia shore by a shallow body of water, known as "Little River," of about the same width.

This body of water at one time formed a branch of the Potomac River. In order to deepen the Georgetown channel of the Potomac, the city of Georgetown entered into an agreement with Mr. John Mason, the owner of the island, whereby the city was to construct a dam or causeway between the north front of the island and the Virginia shore, so as to entirely stop the flow of water behind Analostan Island.

This causeway was constructed, but has since been partially destroyed. Its effect was to convert Little River into a tidal basin.

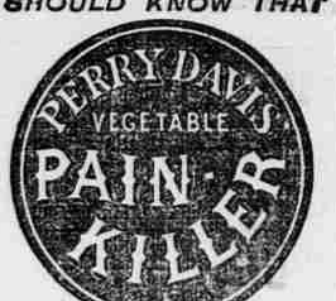
COMMITTEE MAKES ESTIMATES.
To convert the island into a suitable site for an isolated hospital, we believe it will be necessary to reclaim the marshes along the island and as far south as Alexandria, the estimated cost of which is \$146,000, to connect the island with the approaches of the Aqueduct Bridge by a road bridge twenty feet wide and to construct a dock on the island, opposite the foot of New Hampshire avenue, the cost of which is estimated to be \$12,000, and to lay a six-inch water main from the north end of the Aqueduct Bridge to the probable site of the hospital.

The total cost of the improvement is stated to approximate \$178,000.

The island appears on the assessors' books as containing 7.5 acres, assessed at \$500 per acre. If purchased by the government under condemnation proceedings it will probably bring three times its assessed valuation, or \$112,500, and the total cost of the property, placed in a condition for use as a hospital, would be about \$290,500.

In addition, the committee says, the communication with the island, except when the river is closed by ice, should be by a cable ferry. This might be added to the general expense. When the river is closed, it would be necessary to approach the island from the Virginia shore, by way of the Aqueduct Bridge.

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No family can afford to be without this valuable remedy in the house, and it will actually save many times its cost in doctor bills.

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FEARS FOR HIS LIFE.
In a Suit for Divorce G. H. Swartley Says His Wife Is Dangerous.

George H. Swartley brought suit for divorce against his wife, Annie L. Swartley, yesterday afternoon and asked for the custody of their six-year-old child, Cecily, and threats are given as the grounds on which the action is based.

Swartley married his wife February 9, 1890, at Line Lexington, Pa. Beginning shortly after the honeymoon the husband said his wife began a systematic mode of treatment of him, and his life was made intolerable. She threatened his life and he fears she will execute her threats.

The husband claimed that his wife would not let him stay in the room with her, and that once upon a time she struck him in the face.

Both Got Locked Up.
John and Sarah Hill, colored, husband and wife, were locked up at police station No. 6 last night, Sarah charged John with having assaulted her, and John charged Sarah with threats. The couple have figured in police circles before, and statements of their domestic affairs have been printed.

Crushed in a Winger.
Mary Gibbs, a housewife, whose home is in Front place, had her right hand crushed in a clothes wringer yesterday and was made easy in Emergency Hospital last night.

TOO LATE!
If you don't buy within the Next Three Days you will be too late.

Three Days More

in which to secure a Rubber Coat at 1-4 regular price. The Rosenthal Rubber Co. of Boston will positively terminate this rubber coat sale at the expiration of three days—closing prices:

Men's Double Texture Mackintosh Coats—with long capes—wholesale price \$8—can't be duplicated at retail under \$10—choice while they last for \$2.

Men's Imported Mackintosh Coats—box style—double breasted—velvet collars—strapped—cutting—wholesale price \$12.50—can't be duplicated at retail under \$15—choice while they last for \$3.90.

Men's Heavy Storm Coats—long military cape—all wool lining—handsome made and finished—wholesale price \$20—being sacrificed for \$4.50.

Ladies' Mackintoshes—latest styles—long military cape—made by us at wholesale for \$3.75—hurry if you want one for \$1.00.

Ladies' High-grade Storm Coats—made of imported cloth—in black, blue and gray—wholesale price \$5.75—choice while they last for \$1.50.

Ladies' Imported Double Textures—all wool lining—and in all colors—wholesale price \$13.50—we call them "giving them away" for \$2.00.

Ladies' Imported Two-piece Mackintoshes—all double textures—colors black and blue—wholesale price \$18.50—selling today for \$4.50.

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We are showing already selling at an unusually lively rate. They must be exceptionally attractive.

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A new style ready-made, elegant, light, every part made in the best material, X 1 1/2 in. width, weight 1 1/2 lb. sole, laced.

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233 Pa. Ave. S. E.

ON TELEPHONES AND GAS
East Washingtonians Want Both of Them Cheaper.

POLICE MAGISTRATE BILL
Draft of a Measure to Be Submitted to Congress Indorsed—Question of Compulsory Education Discussed and Bonds for Sewers Favored—Grade Crossings More Hopeful.

The East Washington Citizens' Association, at its regular meeting last night in Baum's Hall, discussed cheap telephones and cheap gas, and by the adoption of appropriate resolutions, indorsed the proposition now before Congress for building a bridge in Massachusetts avenue over the Eastern Branch, for the accommodation of the city of Washington, and also announced that a petition with over 1,000 signatures had been filed in favor of it.

The resolutions presented by Mr. Croissant, providing the support of the association to the proposed bridge, were unanimously adopted, and by way of comment Mr. Barker said he represented citizens who stand ready to dedicate more than a mile of Massachusetts avenue extended to public use, and would go to as much as it shall be needed for the purpose of admitting a street railway.

Mr. Croissant was appointed to meet, in conjunction with committees from other bodies, and confer with Congressmen concerning the proposed bridge.

ON GRADE CROSSINGS.
Mr. Croissant spoke with pleasure of the present prospects for the abolition of grade crossings in the District. He said he had been content and believed that the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company would very soon begin the work of creating a new street, and that the Baltimore & Potomac would quite as soon begin the depression of its tracks.

Chairman W. C. Dodge of the committee on water, light and power, in discussing the proposition for cheaper gas, quoted figures to show that in other cities a better illumination than is furnished in Washington is supplied to the municipalities at prices as low as 37 cents per thousand feet, and even less.

He had been thinking the Commissioners were being educated up to the point of approving municipal ownership of the gas plant.

The resolutions were offered looking to cooperation in support of cheaper gas, and also looking to the aid of the press in behalf of municipal ownership, were adopted.

Mr. Dodge also offered a resolution asking that the bill now before Congress for the distribution of revenues from public lands for school purposes be amended so as to include the District in its benefits.

FOR COMPULSORY EDUCATION.
It was suggested by Mr. Cheshire that the compulsory education law should be enforced in the District, and then the funds that may be obtained through the public lands legislation would be more serviceable.

Mr. Dodge's resolutions were adopted, and the board of directors is to be requested to assist in securing the desired legislation.

The committee on proposed legislation presented through Mayor S. H. Walker, the draft of a bill to provide for the appointment of police magistrates empowered to try minor cases at the precinct stations, in place of having such heard, as now, in the police court.

They are to be appointed as follows: One for Precinct No. 1, one for Nos. 2 and 3, one for Nos. 4 and 5, one for Nos. 6 and 7, one for Nos. 8 and 9, and one for Nos. 10 and 11.

Prior to adjournment, Mr. Thomas W. Smith, introduced a resolution, which is to be introduced this week by the executive committee of the board of trade, pledging the support of the association to a bond bill, which will provide for an expenditure of \$3,500,000 to extend the system of sewers within the city boundaries, as recommended in 1890 by the board of sanitary engineers.

INCORPORATION THE PANACEA.
Columbia Heights Citizens Agree It Would Cure All Evils.

At a large attendance meeting of the Columbia Heights Citizens' Association, held last evening at St. Stephens Parish Hall, it was unanimously agreed that the remedy for all the disadvantages and inconveniences suffered by the residents of the suburban sections would be found in extending the incorporated limits of the city so as to include all the densely populated sections of the District.

The question upon the consideration of the request of the Eklington Citizens' Association, asking for the appointment of a committee to act in conjunction with a similar committee from this association for that object.

The suggestion was indorsed by Mr. Bailey, who moved the appointment of a special committee to bring the matter properly before Congress.

Mr. Bailey's motion recommended that so far as the Spring Hill road, be included within the incorporated limits of the city. The following committee was appointed to present the matter to Congress: President Ballinger, Judge Buntly, Secretary George O. Simmons, Mr. William Smalls and Mr. Chris. Schmeckler.

President Ballinger, on behalf of the executive committee, reported that the contemplated extension of street railway service in that section, so far at least as the Metropolitan Railway Company was concerned was practically abandoned, and that nothing would be done in this direction until the "highway act" was finally disposed of.

He said he also had a conference with Mr. Crosby, general manager of the Potomac Light and Power Company, and it is understood that no overhead wires would be erected except when the owners of the adjacent property had given written consent.

The following new members were elected: Joel Hillman, R. T. Hough, J. R. Stone, R. F. Gibbs, and G. C. Duncanson.

Veteran Volunteer Firemen.
The Veteran Volunteer Firemen's Association met last night, with President James Richards in the chair. After the transaction of routine business John Johnson was elected an active member, Fred Springman a life member, Louis Lemmon an honorary member. The association adjourned to attend the Pythian fair.

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Tea Sets Free.

We are now ready to deliver 500 of these 56-piece beautifully decorated china Tea Sets. Complete your punch cards at your earliest opportunity and select the most attractive. The decorations on these sets are the very latest effects, and the more the ladies look them over the harder it becomes for them to decide which set they actually want. The sets are so pretty they would like one of every design.

Toilet Sets Free.

Have you seen the beautiful 10-piece decorated Toilet Sets which we have been delivering all the past week? Your card is nearly finished; why not complete it now, while prices of groceries are so very low. Only 400 toilet sets left for this week.

We also have a few of those large bronze base and silver Cupid Banquet Lamps and cathedral gong Mantel Clocks.

The Special Raisin Sale will be continued today, when we will sell 20 boxes more of the best California Raisins for 3 cents pound. No single customer will be sold more than 10 pounds at this price.

25c. Can Lobster.....12c
Best Barbanc Potatoes, bush.....35c
Best Fresh Country Eggs, dozen.....12c
Arbuckle's and Levering's Coffee, pound package.....22c
Early June Peas.....8c
Java and Mocha Coffee, lb.....30c
Best Mixed Tea, lb.....50c
Large Silver Frames, lb.....35c
California Evap. Peaches, lb.....6c
California Evap. Apples, lb.....6c
California Raisins, per lb.....3c
10c. Packages Best Oats.....7c
Cream Crackers, lb.....8c
Cocoa, per can.....20c
Box of 50 Good Cigars.....65c
Lily Best Patent Flour, per bbl.....\$4.50

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25c Men's Half Hose, full regular made.....9c
Odds and ends of Men's Laundered Shirts, worth \$1.50, \$1.25 and \$1, at.....50c
25c and 50c Neckwear.....19c
75c and \$1 Neckwear.....37c

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30x24 French Plate Bevel Mirror in Dresser—Serpentine Top Dresser and Washstand—neatly carved—well made and finely finished. A Suite never sold for less than \$25. THE RINK'S price three days \$16.35—All Fine Chamber Suites reduced fully ONE-THIRD for this week. CASH OR CREDIT.

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A Rocker Snap!
Today we will sell this handsome Antique Oak-finished Rocker, very suitable for bedroom or nursery.

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Suits \$4.95. And positively no better time than now to invest your well-earned dollars in grand seasonable—

Suits AND Overcoats.
No X-rays required to photograph these prices upon your mind's eye. They can't last long at these prices. The styles are perfect—patterns up to date—browns, grays, blacks, blues in checks, pin stripes, mixtures and plaids. In a word, they are the best values ever offered here or elsewhere.

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Men's Double-breasted Black and blue, strictly all wool Cheviot Suits.....\$4.90
Men's Heavy Winter Cashmere Suits.....\$5.75
Men's Belted Frieze Storm Coats.....\$5.00
Men's Clay Diagonal Suits.....\$6.50
Men's Black and Blue Beaver Overcoats.....\$4.50

Men's Kersey Overcoats, double warp, Italian fitting, raw edge, four-inch silk velvet collar.....\$6.